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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: METHOD AND MECHANISM FOR
EFFICIENT ACCESS TO NODES IN XML
DATA

) Group Art Unit: 2178

) Examiner: Wilson W. Tsui

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 AND
RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed November 15, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.